

Napping House Lesson Plan

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I use *The Napping House* for several reasons. I use it to get students to start reading with its repetitive text. I also use it to talk about the art concepts of perspective, color, light, dark, warm & cool colors, and details. I also use *The Napping House* for sequencing and cause and effect. My students enjoy looking for the flea and other details of the story.

Students will find patterns in literature. Students will find the differences among visual characteristics in the illustrations of the story.

Materials

- The Napping House by Audrey Wood

Set Up and Prepare

Tell the students that you are going to read the book twice. The first time you will read the words and they can help when they can. The second time you and the students will talk about the illustrations.

Directions

Encourage the students to read along with the repetitive text. Go back through the book page by page and have the students comment on what they notice, find the flea and other changes in each picture. Talk about how the colors change throughout the book. Why do they change? Call attention to how the perspective of the illustrations change. Notice how the angle of the chair changes so that it appears that the illustrator must be looking down from the ceiling.

Lesson Extensions

The students could make a list of the adjectives in the story.

The students could create a book using the pattern of the text in the story. What would their story be like if it was a napping motorhome . . . a napping tent . . . a napping treehouse . . . a napping barn? Using watercolors students could paint pictures using the warm and cool colors of the story. Using a computer with GarageBand, the students could record a podcast of their book.

Related Resources

Napping House activity - www.audreywood.com/mac_site/activity_pages/find_a_shape.html

Napping House video -

<http://pixel.fhda.edu/Content/Dept/InstrDev/Examples/Robert/Engl8/Lesson05/media/NappingHouse.mov>

Tutorial for creating a podcast - www.apple.com/ilife/tutorials/garageband/gb3-1.html

- Subjects:

Plot, Character, Setting, Parts of Speech, Arts and Creativity, Communication and the Internet

- Skills:

Development of Reading Comprehension, Main Idea and Details, Plot, Character and Setting

- Duration:

1 Hr